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- 1) Transmittal (1 page);
- 2) Request for Oral Hearing in Duplicate (4 pages); and
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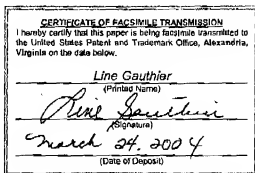
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Applicant: Chen, Chun-Ming et al.

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Art Unit: 1631

TRANSMITTAL FOR REPLY BRIEF

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

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Respectfully submitted,

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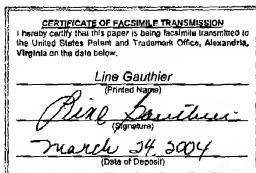
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REQUEST FOR ORAL HEARING

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Sir:

Under the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.194(b), appellant requests an oral hearing.

The item(s) checked below are appropriate:

☒ This request is timely because it is being made within two months from the date of the Examiner's answer.

☐ A Petition for Extension of Time to Request an Oral Hearing is submitted concurrently herewith under the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.136(b) (for patent applications) or 37

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C.F.R. §1.550(c) (for reexamination proceedings). It is respectfully requested that an extension of time be granted because sufficient cause has been shown and the requested extension is for a reasonable time.

☐ Applicant claims small entity status. Thus, the fees of \$290.00 is reduced by half, and the resulting fee is noted below.

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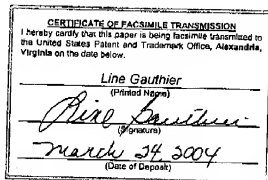
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